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USMTN
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E.O. 11652: GDS
SUBJECT: AGRICULTURAL TRADE DISCUSSIONS WITH THE
JAPANESE

1. HIGH OFFICIAL OF JAPANESE MTN DELEGATION IN GENEVA
(UKAWA) PRIVATELY INFORMED SAYLOR AND STARKEY THAT HE
HAD HEARD THAT ASST. SECRETARY HATHAWAY AND/OR ASSOC.
ADM SAYLOR WOULD BE VISITING JAPAN IN LATE JUNE TO
DISCUSS AGRICULTURAL TRADE MATTERS. ALTHOUGH UKAWA
ENCOURAGED VISIT HE SUGGESTED THAT THE DATE WAS TOO LATE
TO HAVE IMPACT ON MTN GIVEN THE SLOWNESS OF JAPANESE
DECISION MAKING PROCESS. HE FELT THAT MEETINGS BETWEEN
JAPANESE AND US OFFICIALS AT VARIOUS LEVELS EITHER IN
TOKYO OR WASHINGTON WOULD BE ESSENTIAL IF APPROPRIATE
MEASURES ARE TO BE BROUGHT TO BEAR ON JAPANESE AGRICUL-
TURAL OFFICIALS TO PERMIT MEANINGFUL CONCESSIONS WITH
THE MTN, SINCE, IN HIS VIEW, AGRICULTURAL DISCUSSIONS
NOW GOING ON IN GENEVA NOT LIKELY TO LEAD TO PRODUCTIVE
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RESULT. FURTHERMORE, UKAWA SUGGESTED THAT EARLY
ISOLATION OF KEY AGRICULTURAL ISSUES WOULD BE NECESSARY
TO OBTAIN POSITIVE CONCLUSION. UKAWA SPECIFICALLY
REQUESTED THAT HIS COLLEAGUES FROM MAF NOT BE MADE AWARE
OF HIS ADVICE. BREWSTER

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